All That is Horrible and Forbidden i of the Most Abandoned of Her Sex-Is She the Murderer or is She Merely Accessory to It!-A Terrible Story.

dount Vernon, Ky, letter to the Louis e Courier-Journal; The brutal killing of a Rhodus by Jim Hardin, at the house of he notorious Mary Sigman, on the red in this county, far np on the waters of indstone, near "Roone's Gap," a break in ridge dividing Madison and Rockenstle, idus was once a well-to-do farmer of Madi-county. He was a married man, and a About three years ago he began to visit Mary Sigman. Soon, like all the others that are braced by her, he became infatuate with her. His infatuation grew until he for sook his family, and passed all his moments in her society. He began to drink excessively, and soon exhausted all his means. For the last three months he had been drinking unally hard, and was entirely out of money was "fnssy," too, and constantly sough rrels with Mary and Mary's other admir On the Sunday that closed his life he as usual, with his mistress. Besides was, as usual, with his mistress. Besides himself, Jim Hardin was in the house, and Jesse Kinnaird and Bill Hollingsworth were in the yard. Bettie Sigman, a wrinkled old woman, the mother of Mary, was there also, as were Mary's children. The three—Mary, Rhodus and Hardin—were seated at a table eating dinner, when Rhodus began cursing Mary. She disputed with him and ended by giving him the "d—d lie." He seized her by the throat, according to her statement, and threw her on the floor. Hardin interfered, either to part them or assist the woman. either to part them or assist the woman. Rhodus let go his hold of Mary, and seizing a knife which lay on the table, struck Hardin each other and fell to the floor, Jess Kin naird outside heard the noise and rushed in. e entered the door, Mary passed him, ing fowards the woods for dear life, her hair loose and streaming in the wind and the bosom of her dress torn into shreds. Kin-naird saw the two men lying side by side on the floor, Rhodus being a little on top. He pulled them apart and Hardin walked out of

pulled them apart and Hardin walked out of the house. Rhodus got up and said: "G—d—d—him, I'm not afraid of him!" Kinnaird begged him to have no difficulty, and was holding him, when suddenly Rhodus shook as if convulsed with pain, and cried out: "He has stabbed me to the heart, the d—d scoundard!" With these words and a low groan he sank to the floor and was dead in twenty seconds. Kinnaird went out and informed Hardin that Rhodus was dead. "If he isdead," said Hardin, "he fell on his own knife and killed himself." Rhodus had a pocket knife, but Kinnaird found it in his right vest pocket and it was closed. He saw a speck of blood on Rhodus shirt, and opening the boson found a narrow, red wound over the heart. The wound scarcely exceeded a quarter of an inventional new orders and the doctors who probed it say that it was made with a two-edged instrument and that the keen point of the dirk went directly through the heart. Kinnard saw no knife in Hardin's hand, and neither did Bettie Sigman, but the latter confesses that she did see a hand holding a long, keen-bladed knife press against Rhodus' boson. ide drawn through between the thumb and if she will ever tell more than this the Hardin went the next day to Z.T.

k, a justice of the county, and surrendered aself. A warrant was issued for Mary man, charging her with complicity in the refer. It is known that, having induced odus to spend all his money on her, she desirous of ridding herself of him, and

ough suspicious circumstances against to justify her arrest, and she accordingly taken into custody. The e has already been twice called for an intion, but postponed because of the ab-f Hollingsworth, who is a prisoner at and. Next Tuesday is the day now fixed seems to belong to her a strange faHer father was named William SigHe father was named William Sigwho at various times has gone by his true
he was a "bruiser" in his day, but as and pistols were little used then he name of William Fairchild, and the alience of William Fairchild, and the alience of William H. Burton, H. M. Clark, Robert Howell and H. Shumaker, lived in the State of Michigan. He was arrested for highway robbery and was sentenced to a term of several particles of the company of the compa and Bettie had several sons and four daughand Bettie had several sons and four daugha. One of the boys murdered a boy named
gginbotham during the war, and left the
intry. There is an indictment now
iding against him in the circuit courtve. What became of the other boys I
ow not. The girls were named Rhoda,
orgia, Millie and Mary. As fast as they
tured old Bettie made prostitutes
them. Georgia is dead; Rhoda
rried and went to Indiana; Millie's rried and went to Indiana; Millie's reabouts are unknown; and Mary "holds the fort" on the head of Roundteen years of age, and ere she was n she gave birth to a child. She is They are bright, intelligent brats, too, ten years life of shame Mary Sigman abably been the mistress of more nien

keeping a disorderly house, and, according to his own story, was a trifle 'crooked.' He took her to live with him again, and determined to move to Kansas. Richard French, sixty-eight years of age, his wife's step father, was invited to accompany them. He was possessed of some money, and he agreed to buy land for them, on condition that they were to care for him in his old age. They assented to this proposition, and he went with them to Harper county, in Kansas, where men and boys have made themselves fools about her. They have cut, shot, bled and died for her. How many men have been killed over her I do not know. It is said that she has killed two men herseif, but I hardly believe that. One thing is certain, if a man once feels her caresses, she infatuates him; if he follows his infatuation long emough, it is sure to end with his death. She and her admirers are simply the play of the candle and the moths on a little grander scale. What kind of looking creature do you the radmirers are simply the play of the alle and the moths on a little grander de. What kind of looking creature do you pose this siren is? Have, you tried to ure her in your imagination? I went up the trial yesterday, and saw and talked a her. I didn't let her get her hands on though; I was afraid to do that. She has k-brown hair and a small, round, blank, ressionless face. Her eyes are a dull, pale the wife with having assisted her husband in murdering the old man. She finally broke down completely and acknowledged that she and her husband had brained Mr. French with a club and buried him in a certain the private detective and an ex-captain of police named thorace Kertzler. One day the little girl, while talking to Mr. Kertzler, let drop the while talking to Mr. Kertzler, let drop the children, Annie, aged four years, and a son of Mr. Ruggee, aged six years. Sanford, a son of Mr. Ruggee, and the cook partook of Mr. French's strange disappearance, at once suspected the truth and openly charged the wife with having assisted her husband in murdering the old man. She finally broke down completely and acknowledged that she and her husband had brained Mr. French with a club and buried him in a certain charge or the ureniars, after the manner of calveston, Texas, daughter of Mr. Ruggee; and the cook partook of Mr. Ruggee, aged six years. Sanford, a son of Mr. Ruggee, and the cook partook of Mr. Ruggee, and the cook say the least, peculiar. She has a small outh, thick lips, and a flat boneless nose, or hands and feet are not large, they are ther small. She is low in statue. Her place on the premises, after the manner of the notorious Bender family. The detective wrote to the authoritives of Harper county and told them what he had learned. At his and her voice is low and sometimes soft, manners are modest, very lady-like; in request they visited the spot where the old gentleman was said to have been buried, and vements she is slightly nervous and That is Mary Sigman, about whom exhumed his body. The little girl and her mother had told a story which was only too true. The man's skull had been completely h has been said, for whom so much as been shed. There is nothing about crushed in by a heavy blow with some blunt instrument. Kertzler was ap-pointed by the governor of Kansas, John P. St. John, as the State's agent for the apprehension of the murderer, and a ctive that is visible. I looked at her but my glances did not reveal to requisition for his arrest was issued upon the State of Ohio. In the meanwhile Fairchild, ngsworth will swear you killed Jim?"
it was the devilish light I spoke of
into her eyes, and she responded
ly. "He won't dare to swear it! If he in some way or another, had learned that his sent to all the principal cities in the United

with the case, and were on the watch for him.
Fairchild did not long remain quiet. About
the time that the Ohio officer had discovered lways swore he would kill me before e would give me up. He tried to ill me once. But I wouldn't have harmed hair of his head. Bill Hollingsworth he would give me up. He then to kill me once. But I wouldn't have harmed his head. Bill Hollingsworth his whereabouts, he had succeeded in obtaining between \$400 and \$500 on a forged check, and eloped with the wife of a man named him. Who could have killed him but Hardin's There was no one else to kill him." There was no one else to kill him. These utterances were delivered very rapidly. At their conclusion she turned apart to consult with her counsel, and I left her. The sided he had disappeared, and he was again baffled. At this point the Chicago end of the baffled. At this point the Chicago end of the baffled. At this point the Chicago end of the baffled. At this point the Chicago end of the chorus, and that body was re-organized to night by the annual meeting of the Festival for May, 1882, was fairly organized to night by the annual meeting of the Festival for May, 1882, was fairly organized to night by the annual meeting of the Festival for May, 1882, was fairly organized to night by the annual meeting of the Festival for May, 1882, was fairly organized to night by the annual meeting of the Festival for May, 1882, was fairly organized to night by the annual meeting of the Festival for May, 1882, was fairly organized to night by the annual meeting of the Chorus association and by the first meeting of the Chorus association and by the first meeting of the Chorus association and by the first meeting of the Chorus association and by the first meeting of the Chorus association and by the first meeting of the Chorus association and by the first meeting of the Chorus association and by the first meeting of the Chorus association and by the first meeting of the Chorus association and by the first meeting of the Chorus association and by the first meeting of the Chorus association and by the first meeting of the Chorus association and by At their conclusions he turned apart to consult with her counsel, and I left her. The killing of Rhodus has created the most interest excitement in the Berea preciset of Madison county, where he lived. It follows closely after the killing of Hysinger and Bishop, which occurred at the same places and over the same woman, an account of which has been published. A desperate attempt will be made to fastent the guilt of his wite, a good picture and description of whom he forwarded last week. Described to think the testimony will fait for shown it. The other defendant, James Hardin, is a young man of this county, who has here tools are a woman answering her description for borne a good reputation. He stoutly maintains the truth of his first story, and constantly asseverates that Rhodus, killed himself by falling on his own knife. This theory, however, is shown to be untenable by the narrow wound, the closed knife in Rhodus's pocket, and the testimony of old Bettie Sigman. Take it all in all, there is considered a wait the roots and in the roots of the contract states, and before the man are supposed to have made a confession. The claims that he same place and constantly asseverates that Rhodus killed himself by falling on his own knife. This theory, however, is shown to be untenable by the narrow wound, the closed knife in Rhodus's pocket, and the testimony of old Bettie Sigman. Take it all in all, there is considered the most interest of the central station, and becked them the provide himself by falling on his own knife. This to the central station, and becked them of the mystery about the affair, which it may require time to clear up.

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BUCKEYE BATTLE.

The Democrats of Ohio Preparing for the Final Struggle-Samuel J. Tilden to be Among the Leading Speakers of the Last Week of a Mementous Canvass.

aker Randall, Senator Thurman, Colonel Fellows, Sunset Cox, General Slocum and Ex-Mayor Vaux and Others to Address Meetings in the State.

Columbus (Ohio) special to the Cincin noti Enquirer: "Last week the Republican had their boom. The presence of Grant Conkling and Blaine in the State has had the effect of encouraging their party, but it has not counteracted the terrible fright into which they were thrown by the news from Maine and events subsequent to that disas ter. The Democrats are preparing to enjoy their boom this week. Every indication says unmistakably that their forces in Ohio have never been in shape for more effective work than now. All the forces are working together, and there is an inspiration and perection of discipline among them that re-ninds one of an army on the eve of a decis ive victory. And the Democrats do not expect to achieve it on the principle of lifting themselves by their boot-straps, either, There is one man in all the Democratic party whose presence in Ohio this week will wake up masses on the style of a junior day judgment. That man is Samuel J

Filden. The wan corpse of the Spanish Cid ever inspired more terror to the enemies of is country than does the prospect of Uncle ammy's advent in Ohio to the Republicans. Compared to his coming, the peregrination of Jim Blaine and my Lord Roscoe sink to of Jim Blaine and my Lord Roscoe sink to the level of a puny side-show. Mention has been made heretofore of the invitation ex-tended to Mr. Tilden to come to Ohio. It is stated to-day that he will visit the State. The stated to-day that he will visit the State. The programme is not fully mapped out, but it would include the meeting at Columbus next Saturday, as this city was the first to make application for Mr. Tilden's presence. This step has not been the work of the Democratic State committee alone. It is not likely that it would have succeeded without other aid; springing up in all parts of the country, and the amount of money which is being bestowed upon them, prove this, and are cause of great satisfaction. It was only a few years ago when the United States was wholly destitute of a respectable telescope; now it has the largest refractor in the world, while its contributions to the department of discovery are enumerated by thousands. American astronomers were the first to detect the separation of Biella's comet into two parts and give the facts to the world. Prof. Bond discovered the eighth satellite of Saturn in 1848; Prof. Hall, of the Washington observatory, found the two moons which accompany Mars. In the year 1850 Prof. Bond revealed the fact but eastern men, known to Mr. Tilden per sonally, have had much to do in bringing affairs to an issue. Among the noted men in the Democratic State headquarters to-day were Hon. Samuel J. Randall, speaker of the National house of representative Colonel John R. Fellows, of N. York; General Durbin Ward of Le

York; General Durbin Ward of Lebanon; Hon. George L. Converse, of this city,
whose guest Speaker Randall is; General W.
D. Hill, of Defiance, and Governor E. F.
Pillsbury, of Maine. The Republicans in
the manufacturing districts have, since the
Maine election, given a prominence to the
tariff question heretofore monopolized by the
bloody-shirt issue alone. General Hilf gives
an instance of how they bulldoze people on
this topic by citing an instance in his part of
the State, where the Republican proprietors
of large wagon-works notified their 300 employes that Democratic success meant their
discharge. The tariff would be repealed and
farmers would either buy no more wagons or farmers would either buy no more wagons o send from the wooded banks of the Maume to England for them, or words to that effect The Democrats are knocking the derpinning out of this kind of ment as fast as it is advanced, the list of speakers given below will found the names of Senator Randall, Senato William A. Wallace and a number of Pen sylvania Democrats who are thoroughly home on the tariff question, and whose on this issue, however, are a lot of Pennsyl vania Republicans like General Pearson, o Pittsburg, a delegate to the Chicago convention that nominated Garfield; Ex-Mayor Richard Vaux, of Philadelphia; Hon. W. W. Dundas, of New York, and others. General Professor Swift, who has become so produce no less interest in critic case ominent by reason of his discoveries of it prove to approach sufficiently near the mets and two intra-mercurial planets, and earth to fill any considerable portion of the will give his entire time to the work of heavens. Prof. Swift no doubt regrets that

the institution. The lens of the new telescope is sixteen inches in diameter, and the tube is twenty-two feet in length. While the locality of Rochester is not well adapted to the observations of the heavens, still the new telescope and the well-known perseverance of the new telescope and the well-known perseverance of the new to being made for it. He cannot expect to discover all the company to the content of the new to be the new Pearson and Mr. Dundas are themselves manufacturers, and are paying their own campaign expenses while in the State Speaker Randall says that he believes the Democrats will carry Ohio. He gives a special reason for the faith that is in him save that the indications everywhere has been point in that direction. He speaks in Cincinnati on next Wednesday lieutenant-governor some years ago, no superintendent of the Columbus rolling-mil from Kansas, and to-day the untiring officer left with his prisoner for Harper county, Kansas, where the murder was committed over two years ago. Fairchild told the offi-cer who arrested him that he came here on s earnestly for Hancock. He has, until this campaign, been an uncompromising opponent of the Democracy, and stumped the State it 1876 for Hayes, doing effective work among the iron and coal men. Dr. Van S. Seltzer for many years a leader among the Republic

Havana, October 4: There were seventy

ight deaths from yellow-fever in Septembe Philadelphia, October 4: The epizootic is sweeping over the city, and already five per cent. of the horses are affected.

New York, October 4: Over 12,000,00 bushels of grain were shipped to Europe i September, employing 300 vessels.

Chicago, October 4: The Inter-Occur. Battle Creek, Michigan, special says a terrible

to-day for a monument to Geo. B. Armstrong the founder of the railway mail service, and The memorial which is to be erected by the

clerks in the service will be a New England

A Society of Towering Titans.

Chicago Times: "Some of the citizens

New York whom nature has endowed with longitude far beyond the average, have or-

who often has business in this city; Samue M. Fox, member of congress from New York

Patti to Sing in this Country London letter to Boston Herald: "You ma

rely fully upon the reports that Mme. Patti will visit the United States in another season

tary embarrassments of Mr. Maurice Strak-osch, her amiable brother-in-law, to buy off from the contract signed with him years ago.

or so; she has taken advantage of the mor

gramite pedestal, surmounted by metal bronze bust five feet high.

seventy years, an old resident of Plymo

the 10th of September last, and that he was legally married to Mrs. Canfield. She also maintains that she was married to him, and licans of central Ohio, will be one of the vic presidents at the Democratic meeting ne Saturday, At a recent meeting of the North End Democracy nine Republicans joines, their club and gave their adhesion to Ham cock. Mr. Joyce reports nineteen Repul licans in one North-End ward who have als ollowed Dr. Seltzer's example." BRIEFS.

robbery and was sentenced to a term of several years in the penitentiary at Jackson. Aiter serving his term he moved to Toledo, Ohio, where he was shortly afterward, under the alias of Howell, married to a young woman named Lillie, by whom he had one child, a little girl. His criminal instincts again got the best of him, and he was arrested for forgery and horse stealing. He stricts again got the cest of min, and he was arrested for forgery and horse stealing. He was tried and sentenced to a term of three years in the penitentiary at Columbus. When his time was up, in the early part of 1878, he returned to Toledo, and found that his wife Lillie had turned out bad and was become a disorderly house and according Keen's first appearance as a star in a Shakes-pearean drama. The enthusiasm and fre-quently bestowed applause sufficiently indi-cated that this new star was regarded with as great favor as the older ones of the same or-der.

The growth of American science within peet much from the new Warner observatory

the past fifty years has been so rapid that we are forced to believe it is fully equal to the other grand developments of this nation. The numerous scientific institutions that are

springing up in all parts of the country, and the amount of money which is being be-

found the two moons which accompany Mars. In the year 1850 Prof. Bond revealed the fact

MURDER WILL OUT:

for the Murder of an Old Man Named

the central station to-day. The story of the slaying of Richard French, and the career

sicians were called in, and all are now pro-nounced out of danger, with the exception of Annie Ball and Sanford Ruggee, who are in a critical condition. The parsnips were pur-chased at a regular family except.

CINCINNATI, October 4.-A Gazette's Ster benville, Ohio, special says: Daniel Collins to-day knocked down his brother John ing farms in Knox township, and have not been harmonious. The quarrel to-day was about turkeys claimed by both. Daniel Collins is thirty-three years old, married and has three children; John was younger, but leaves a wife and children.

M. Fox, member of congress from New York; Dr. William A. Hammond, expert in nervoor diseases; ex-Lieutenant Governor Dorsheimer, Dr. Charles A. Doremus, David Dudley Field, Major-General Winfield Scott Hancock, Hon. Thomas Hillhouse, United States sub-treasurer in New York. Leonard Lerons P. Lake Propeller Sunk. MILWAUKEE, October 4 .- The Sentinel's

States sub-treasurer in New York, Leonard Jerome, Esq., and Mr. George Law, jr. These and their colleagues are all mighty men of valor, and will make awful havoc with their ing, letting the wheel out and water in. The propeller was towing barges at the time, and The Next Cincinnati Musical Festival. CINCINNATI, O., October 4.—The musical festival for May, 1882, was fairly organized

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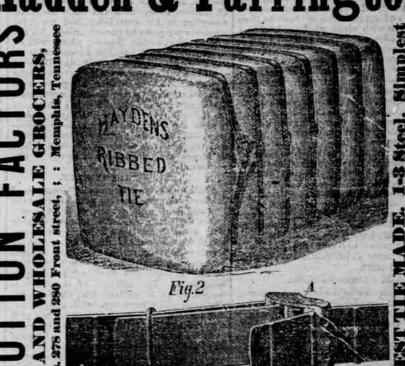
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